

# The Incarnation of a King

**Isa 9:6-7** For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and **the government shall be upon his shoulder**, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.<sup>7</sup> **Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom**, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

**Luke 1:31-33**, And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus.<sup>32</sup> He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David,<sup>33</sup> and **he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.**"

**Matthew 1:1** The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

**Matthew 2:1-2** Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem,<sup>2</sup> saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

**Dan 2:44-45**<sup>44</sup> And in the days of those kings **the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed**, nor shall the kingdom be left to another people. **It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever**,<sup>45</sup> just as you saw that a stone was cut from a mountain by no human hand, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold. A great God has made known to the king what shall be after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation sure."

**Matthew 2:11** And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

## I. The Greatness of the King

**Matthew 3:11-12** "I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.<sup>12</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

**Matthew 4:8-10** Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory.<sup>9</sup> And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."<sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve."

**Matthew 7:28-29** And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching,<sup>29</sup> for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

**Matthew 8:16** That evening they brought to him many who were oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick.

**Matthew 8:25-27** And they went and woke him, saying, "Save us, Lord; we are perishing."<sup>26</sup> And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?" Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm.<sup>27</sup> And the men marveled, saying, **"What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?"**

**Matthew 9:4-7**, but Jesus, seeing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think thin in your hearts?" <sup>5</sup> For what is easier to say, are your sins forgiven, or to say, Arise and walk? <sup>6</sup> But that ye may know that the Son of Man has the power on earth to forgive sins,— then says to the relaxed, "Get up, take up your bed, and go to your house." <sup>7</sup> And he got up, [took his bed] and went to his house.

**John 5:21-23** For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. <sup>22</sup> For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, <sup>23</sup> that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him.

**John 18:33-35** So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" <sup>35</sup> Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?"

**John 18:36-37** Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." <sup>37</sup> Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."

**John 19:10-12** So Pilate said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?" <sup>11</sup> Jesus answered him, "You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin." <sup>12</sup> From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar."

**Matthew 28:18-20** And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me." <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

## II. The Significance of the King

**Col. 1:12-14**, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. <sup>13</sup> He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

### A. Complete belonging to Christ

**1 Cor. 6:19-20** Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup> for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

**1 Peter 1:16-19** since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." <sup>17</sup> And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, <sup>18</sup> knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

**James 1:1** James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion: Greetings.

**Rom 1:1** Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God,

**2 Peter 1:1** Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:



**Matthew 16:24-25** Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup> For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

**Rom 12:1-2** I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

**2 Cor. 5:14-15** For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; <sup>15</sup> and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

## **B. Complete security in Christ**

**Col. 2:9-10** For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup> and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.

- **Our Sins Are Forgiven by Christ**

**Col. 2:13-14** And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup> by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

**Col. 2:15** He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

**Heb. 10:14-17** For by a single offering **he has perfected for all time** those who are being sanctified. <sup>15</sup> And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, <sup>16</sup> “This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,” <sup>17</sup> then he adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

**Rom. 8:31-34** What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

- **Our circumstances are controlled by Christ**

**Col. 1:16-17** <sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

**Rom 8:28-29** And we know that for those who love God **all things work together for good**, for those who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

**Rom 8:35-37** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” <sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

**Rom 8:38-39** For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- **Our Joy Is Guaranteed by Christ**

**Rom 14:17** For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

**Col 2:9-10** For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup> **and you have been filled in him**, who is the head of all rule and authority.

**Matthew 6:9-10** Pray then like this: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. <sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

- Has Jesus become YOUR King?
- Do you have confidence that He has solved the problem of your sin?
- Do you have confidence that He controls YOUR circumstances?
- Is your heart filled with confidence in Him today?
- Has He become your peace and source of joy?

